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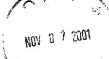
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ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.71 AND 3.73 AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, being Assignee of the entire interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an Assignment filed concurrently herewith, hereby elects, under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventor.

Assignee hereby appoints George C. Rondeau, Jr., Reg. No. 28,893; David H. Deits, Reg. No. 28,066; William O. Ferron, Jr., Reg. No. 30,633; Richard G. Sharkey, Reg. No. 32,629; David V. Carlson, Reg. No. 31,153; Karl R. Hermanns, Reg. No. 33,507; Michael J. Donohue, Reg. No. 35,859; Jane E. R. Potter, Reg. No. 33,332; Robert Iannucci, Reg. No. 33,514; Lorraine Linford, Reg. No. 35,939; David W. Parker, Reg. No. 37,414; E. Russell Tarleton, Reg. No. 31,800; Ellen M. Bierman, Reg. No. 38,079; Brian G. Bodine, Reg. No. 40,520; Robert M. Ward, Reg. No. 26,517; Frank Abramonte, Reg. No. 38,066; Kevin S. Costanza, Reg. No. 37,801; Stephen J. Rosenman, Reg. No. 43,058; Brian L. Johnson, Reg. No. 40,033; Susan D. Betcher, Reg. No. 43,498; William T. Christiansen, Reg. No. 44,614; Jeffrey C. Pepe, Reg. No. 46,985; Timothy L. Boller, Reg. No. 47,435; James M. Verna, Reg. No. 33,287; James A. Mesher, Reg. No. P-48,700; Mae J. Rosok, Reg. No. P-48,903; Dale R. Cook, Reg. No. 42,434; comprising the firm of Seed Intellectual Property Law Group PLLC, 701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 6300, Seattle, Washington 98104-7092, as its attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Please direct all telephone calls to Jane E. R. Potter at (206) 622-4900 and telecopies to (206) 682-6031.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned duly authorized designee of Assignee certifies that the evidentiary documents have been reviewed, specifically the Assignment to filed concurrently herewith for recording, a copy of which is attached hereto, and certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the

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